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PAT FLOWERS, LITTLE ROCK AR
APPLICATION TITLE: Removable maintenance port with method for
rehabilitating manhole
EXAMINER/GAU: 3673

SMALL ENTITY DECLARATION - INDEPENDENT INVENTOR VOUGHT

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that I qualify as an independent inventor as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.9(c) for purposes of paying reduced fees under Section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35 of the United States Code, to the Patent and Trademark Office with regard to my above-identified invention described in the drawings and specification filed herewith. I have assigned, granted, conveyed, and licensed all of my rights in the invention to Removable Maintenance Port, LLC, a small business entity that files its own Small Business Entity declaration here. I have not assigned, granted, conveyed or licensed - and am under no obligation under any contract or law, to assign, grant, convey, or license - any rights in the invention to (a) any person who would not be classified as an independent inventor under 37 C.F.R. §1.9(c) if that person had made the invention, nor (b) any other concern which would not qualify as either (i) a small

business concern under 37 C.F.R. §1.9(d) or (ii) a nonprofit organization under 37 C.F.R. §1.9(e).

Each person, concern, or organization to which I have assigned, granted, or licensed - or am under an obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey, or license - any rights in the invention is listed below:

Name of Concern: **Removable Maintenance Port, LLC**

Address of Concern: 24 Talais Drive

Little Rock AR 72223.

I hereby declare that exclusive rights under contract or law have been conveyed to, and remain with, the small business concern identified above with regard to the above entitled invention of the above applicants and the specification and drawings filed previously as part of this Patent Application for Removable Maintenance Port.

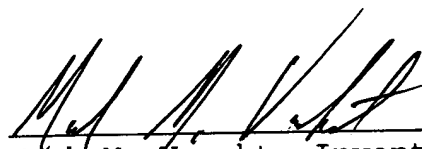
No other person, concern, or organization has any rights in the invention. Both of the individual inventors (Vought and Flowers) would be permitted to file Statements Claiming Small Entity Status. Removable Maintenance Port, LLC, is also entitled to file a Statement Claiming Small Entity Status.

I acknowledge a duty to file, in the above application for patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of, the issue fee or any maintenance fee, due after the date on which status as a small entity is no

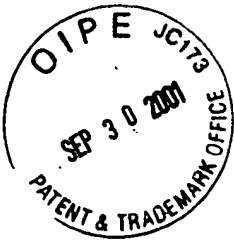


longer appropriate (37 C.F.R. §1.28(b)).

I hereby declare that all statements made in the three pages of this declaration herein of my own knowledge are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing therefrom, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.


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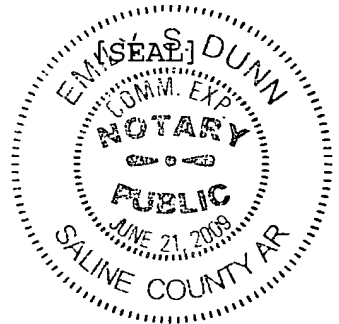
State of Arkansas)
County of Pulaski)

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 30th day of September, 2001, by the person known to me as Mack Vought, for the purposes stated therein (relating to a Small Entity Declaration from Vought for Removable Maintenance Port).

Emily J. Dunn
Notary Public

My commission expires:

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other concern which would not qualify as either (i) a small business concern under 37 C.F.R. §1.9(d) or (ii) a nonprofit organization under 37 C.F.R. §1.9(e).

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A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Pat Flowers", written over a horizontal line.

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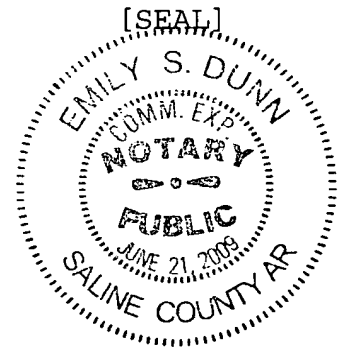
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SMALL ENTITY DECLARATION - SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN

I hereby declare that I am an officer and an owner of the small business, and that I am empowered to act on behalf of the concern identified below:

Name of Concern: **Removable Maintenance Port, LLC**
Address of Concern: 24 Talais Drive
Little Rock AR 72223.

I hereby declare that the above identified small business concern qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 13 C.F.R. §121.3-18, and reproduced in 37 C.F.R. §1.9(d), for purposes of paying reduced fees under section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, in that the number of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. For purposes of this statement, (1) The number of employees of the business concern is the average, over the previous fiscal year of the concern, of the persons employed on a

full-time, part-time or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and (2) concerns are affiliates of each other when either, directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the power to control the other, or a third party or parties controls or has the power to control both.

I hereby declare that exclusive rights under contract or law have been conveyed to, and remain with, the small business concern identified above with regard to the above entitled invention of the above applicants and the specification and drawings filed earlier as part of this Patent Application for Removable Maintenance Port.

The rights held by Removable Maintenance Port, LLC, are exclusive. No rights to the invention are held by any person, other than the inventors, who would not qualify as an independent inventor under 37 C.F.R. §1.9(c) if that person made the invention, nor by any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 C.F.R. §1.9(d), or a nonprofit organization under 37 C.F.R. §1.9(e).

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fee, due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate (37 C.F.R. §1.28(b)).

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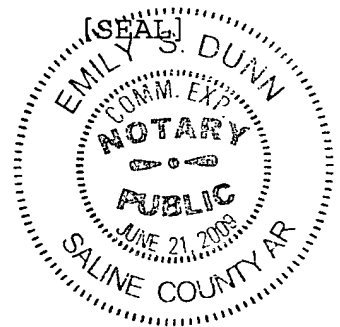
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DECLARATION FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN PATENT APPLICATION

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that my residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name and that I believe that we are the original, first, and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention, the specification of which has previously been filed and which has the following title:

"REMOVABLE MAINTENANCE PORT AND METHOD FOR REHABILITATING MANHOLE"

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-described specification, including the claims, as originally filed and as amended by Amendment A (claiming benefit of a Provisional Patent Application). I acknowledge a duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a).

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Title 18, United States Code, Section 1001, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application of any patent that issues thereon.

Please send correspondence and make telephone calls to our attorney (A.J. Kelly) pursuant to the Power of Attorney enclosed:

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